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TITLE: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR VIBRATION CONTROL

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Response is responsive to the Office Action mailed on April 3, 2002, in the above-identified patent application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement made in the Office Action are respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application. The Examiner has required restriction of the application to claims in one of four groups as set forth in paragraph one (1) of the Office Action. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, corresponding to claims 1-23, 25-27, 30-32, 36 and 37.

In addition, since Applicants have elected Group I, the Examiner has requested restriction to one of four species as set forth in paragraph nine (9) of the Office Action. In response to the species restriction requirement, Applicants elect, with traverse, Species IA, drawn to one embodiment (discussed at page 3, lines 1-20). A listing of all claims readable thereon includes claims 1-9, 11-23, 25-26, 30-32, 36 and 37. Each of these claims are drawn to the embodiment discussed on page 3, at lines 1-20.

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